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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR
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Sir:


Transmitted herewith is a Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in the above-identified patent application, a copy of the document cited therein and Form PTO-1449 (in duplicate). This Statement is being submitted:

- ☐ within three months of the application filing date;
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), submission of this Statement requires no fee. However, if for any reason a fee is due, the Director is hereby

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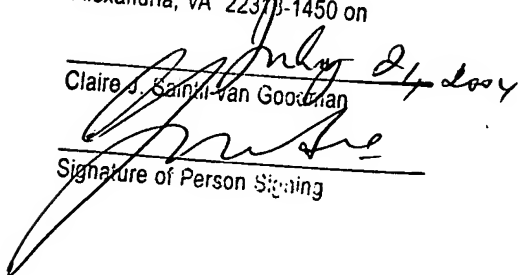
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FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the following document:

U.S. Patent Documents

Popov et al.	5,702,412	12/30/1997
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This document is listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate), and a copy is enclosed herewith.

The document listed in this Statement was first cited by a foreign patent office in an application of another from which claims were recently copied into this application (see the "Notification Pursuant To 37 C.F.R. § 1.604(b) Identifying Published Patent Applications From Which Claims Have Been Copied" which was filed concurrently with the

filing of this patent application, the "Preliminary Amendment and Notification Pursuant To 37 C.F.R. § 1.604(b) Identifying a Published Patent Application From Which Claims Have Been Copied," filed April 2, 2003, and the "Second Preliminary Amendment and Notification Pursuant To 37 C.F.R. § 1.604(b) Identifying Published Patent Applications From Which Claims Have Been Copied," filed June 6, 2003.) The following identifies each application from which claims have been copied into this application. For each application from which claims have been copied, the following further identifies the references in the International Search Report (if published and therefore available to the under-signed agent) that are associated with the claims that have been copied. Copies of the available International Search Reports are also enclosed herewith.

WO 01/41624

Applicants submitted this search report and the references contained therein with the Second Supplemental IDS filed 11/12/02.

WO 01/70091

Applicants submitted this search report and the references contained therein with the IDS filed 5/16/02.

WO 02/30172

Applicants submitted this search report and the references contained therein with the Fourth Supplemental IDS filed 10/16/03.

WO 02/47532

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This reference was listed on the Corrected Version of an International Preliminary Examination Report, a copy of which is enclosed herewith

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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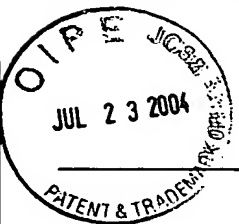
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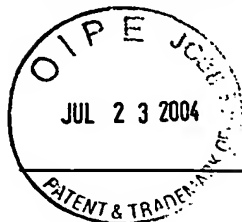
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